

## Resources in Ethics

In addition to general ethics-related materials available on the Center's website ([www.ethics.va.gov](http://www.ethics.va.gov)), the following resources may be helpful:

### Print Resources

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### **Online Resources—Codes of Ethics**

The Academy of Management

Code of Ethical Conduct

<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/academy.mgt.b.html>

Standards of Professional Conduct for Academic Management Consultants

<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/academy.mgt.a.html>

American Association of Nurse Anesthetists

<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/amer.assoc.nurse.anesthetists.a.html>

American College of Healthcare Executives

[http://www.ache.org/abt\\_ache/code.cfm](http://www.ache.org/abt_ache/code.cfm)

American College of Radiology  
<http://www.acr.org> (membership required)

American Counseling Association  
<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/amer.couns.assoc.2005.html>

American Medical Record Association  
<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/amer.health.info.assoc.html>

American Medical Association  
<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/put/category/2512.html>

American Nurses Association  
<http://nursingworld.org/mods/mod508/code.pdf>

American Pharmaceutical Association  
<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/amer.pharmaceutical.assoc.coe.2.html>

American Pharmacists Association  
<http://www.aphanet.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Search&template=/CM/HTMLDisplay.cfm&ContentID=2809>

American Psychological Association  
<http://www.apa.org/ethics/homepage.html>

American Society of Public Administration  
<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/amer.soc.public.admin.c.html>

Association of Professional Chaplains  
<http://www.professionalchaplains.org/professional-chaplain-services-about-code-ethics.htm>

Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification  
<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/commission.rehab.counselor.cert.b.html>

Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society  
<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/healthcare.info.mgt.systems.soc.coe.html>

International Association of Administrative Professionals  
<http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/coe/int.assoc.admin.pros.1998.html>

National Association of Social Workers  
<http://www.socialworkers.org/pubs/code/code.asp>

*More professional codes of ethics can be found at* [http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/codes\\_index](http://ethics.iit.edu/codes/codes_index)

### **Online Resources–Ethics Centers & Websites**

American Medical Association (AMA)  
[http://www.ama-assn.org/apps/pf\\_new/pf\\_online?category=CEJA&assn=AMA&fn=mSearch&st=&st\\_p=&nth=1&](http://www.ama-assn.org/apps/pf_new/pf_online?category=CEJA&assn=AMA&fn=mSearch&st=&st_p=&nth=1&)

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities (ASBH)  
<http://www.asbh.org>

Bioethics.net – The American Journal of Bioethics  
<http://www.bioethics.net/>

Center for Bioethics, University of Pennsylvania  
<http://www.bioethics.upenn.edu/>

Center for the Study of Bioethics, Medical College of Wisconsin  
<http://www.mcw.edu/bioethics/index.html>

The Cross Cultural Health Care Program  
<http://www.xculture.org/index.cfm>

End of Life/Palliative Education Resource Center  
<http://www.eperc.mcw.edu/About.htm>

The Ethics Resource Center  
<http://www.ethics.org/>

EthnoMed  
<http://ethnomed.org/>

The Hastings Center  
<http://www.thehastingscenter.org/>

Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University  
<http://kennedyinstitute.georgetown.edu/index.htm>

National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC)  
<http://www.georgetown.edu/research/nrcbl/nbac/>

National Reference Center for Bioethics Literature, Georgetown University  
<http://www.georgetown.edu/research/nrcbl/nrc/index.htm>

Nuffield Council on Bioethics  
<http://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/>

University of Minnesota Center for Bioethics  
<http://www.bioethics.umn.edu/>

### **VHA Policies**

Available from the Center's website, <http://vaww.ethics.va.gov/activities/policy.asp>:

VHA Handbook 1004.1, Informed Consent for Clinical Treatments & Procedures

VHA Handbook 1004.2, Advance Health Care Planning

VHA Handbook 1004.3, Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) Protocols within the Department of Veterans Affairs



VHA Directive 2005-049, Disclosure of Adverse Events to Patients

*Other VA and public policies relating to ethics:*

VHA Directive 2001-027, Organ Transplants

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=323](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=323)

VHA Directive 2003-008, Palliative Care Consult Teams (PCCT)

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=231](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=231)

VHA Directive 2003-021, Pain Management

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=246](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=246)

VHA Directive 2003-060, Business Relationships Between VHA Staff and Pharmaceutical Industry Representatives

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=288](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=288)

VHA Directive 2005-049, Disclosure of Adverse Events to Patients

[http://vaww1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=1339](http://vaww1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=1339)

VHA Handbook 1004.1, Informed Consent for Treatments and Procedures

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=404](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=404)

VHA Handbook 1004.2, Advance Health Care Planning (Advance Directives)

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=420](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=420)

VHA Handbook 1004.3, Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) Protocols Within the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=1150](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=1150)

VHA Handbook 1058.2, Research Misconduct

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=1259](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=1259)

VHA Handbook 1200.5, Requirements for the Protection of Human Subjects in Research

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=418](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=418)

VHA Handbook 1605.1, Privacy and Release of Information

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=406](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=406)

VHA Manual M-2, Part VI, Chapter 9, Post-Mortem Examination

[www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\\_ID=855](http://www.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=855)

Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch

[usage.gov/pages/forms\\_pubs\\_otherdocs?fpo\\_files/references/rfsoc\\_02.pdf](http://usage.gov/pages/forms_pubs_otherdocs?fpo_files/references/rfsoc_02.pdf)

5 USC 2302(b), Prohibited Personnel Practices

[www.gpoaccess.gov/uscode](http://www.gpoaccess.gov/uscode)

5 USC 2301(b), Merit System Principles

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Other important standards are established by accrediting bodies, such as the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO, <http://www.jointcommission.org>) and the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF, <http://www.carf.org>).

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